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In re the Application of:

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For: CATADIOPTRIC OPTICAL SYSTEM AND EXPOSURE

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Prior to the commencement of continued examination, please amend the above-identified patent application as indicated below.

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 33 of this paper.